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Lincoln Univ. Confers Honorary Degree on Howard

Harry S. Howard, 421 Main st., was honored Oct. 18 by Lincoln Memorial university, founded by his father, Gen. O. O. Howard, in 1895 for mountain white people at Cumberland Gap, Tenn., when it conferred upon him the honorary degree of LL.D.

President Stewart McClelland, who visited the Howards at Easter time, used the doctor's hood lined with the symbolic university colors, blue and gray, and addressed Howard as the "silent partner of those who conceived and founded the university."

Howard, to whom the honor came as a surprise, addressed the students and presented them with papers and souvenirs of his father including the table upon which he wrote his autobiography and did all his work for Lincoln Memorial university while living at 156 College st., Burlington.

Gen. Howard was managing director of the university and raised a sufficient sum of money so that when he died he left the institution an endowment of \$200,000, several new buildings, and 500 acres of land. The university now has 1,300 acres.

The library, which is the largest civil war library in the south, contains books and other items valued at \$50,000 which have been added to the Lincoln collection by contributions from the several commanderies of the military order of the Loyal Legion of the United States.

Dr. Howard received his degree of bachelor of laws from New York university.